

The ban on cross-ownership should not be removed. The regulations for media ownership should be stricter, not looser. Unlike with the Internet, the barrier to entry is costly with the print and radio media, and regulation is the only way to preserve diversity. Just look at the bland, stunting programming provided by Clear Channel radio stations for an example of how consolidation restricts cultural choices. Look at how Clear Channel banned certain songs after 9/11 for an example of consolidated media can be used as a tool to restrict speech.